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Japanese Cotton Merchant Examining Pacific Coast Ports.

LARGE VESSELS NECESSARY

Seattle, Tacoma or San Francisco Will Get the Business and Oregon be Ignored.

Post-Intelligencer.

K. Yokoo, the Japanese cotton merchant who arrived here from Kobe, Japan, on Tuesday last to look into the matter of freight rates on shipments of cotton from this country to Kobe, left here yesterday to consult with the transportation people at different parts of the coast. He will go to Tacoma and thence to San Francisco.

Since he came here Mr. Yokoo says he has met with the same trouble pointed out to the chamber of commerce by a representative of the Japanese government some time ago, that there are not enough vessels sailing from the port to afford accommodation for large shipments. He interviewed the Nippon Yusen Kaisha representatives here a day or two ago, and while they offered what at the present time might be considered a low rate, yet it was not satisfactory to Mr. Yokoo.

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"I am going to ship about 20,000 bales of cotton, which I expect to secure in the South this fall. If I am unable to secure a lower freight rate in the cities I visit, before making the purchase, then I will ship to Seattle and take the rate I have secured here. But if, on the other hand, I can beat the Seattle rate, then my business will go to the port making the lowest offer."

THE SOUTH'S GREAT HANDICAP.

New York Tribune.

The curious blindness the South has always shown in politics to its own material and industrial interests has been puzzled many Northern observers. Whether struggling to maintain the outworn and wasteful institution of negro slavery, to overthrow the system of tariff protection which has given the national currency and tarnish the national credit by the issue of a cheapened silver dollar, Southern politicians have maintained an unconsciousness of the true welfare of their own section as singular as it has been sustained and persistent. Doubtless the very intensity of political feeling in the South has had much to do with the chronic subordination to mere political abstractions of its material needs and interests. Nowhere has the pursuit of politics, pure and simple, been exalted more completely to a ruling passion,

and nowhere has the political spirit dominated the commercial and industrial spirit more unquestionably than in Southern life. The development of political rather than material and industrial power has been the aim of Southern statesmanship, and the accomplishment of that comparatively barren purpose has absorbed for years the most conspicuous talent in many Southern states.

It is not often that an organ of Southern opinion turns the mirror candidly and courageously on sectional errors and failings. We can applaud the more heartily, then, the recent outspoken declarations of two representative Southern newspapers that the South has suffered and is still suffering from an excessive diversion of its energies from industry to politics. "The Arkansas Democrat," of Little Rock, and "The Commercial-Appeal," of Memphis, seem to have reached the conclusion simultaneously that the "bane of the South is too much politics and too many politicians." So says the Arkansas Journal with laconic effect, and it adds: "What most of the Southern states need is more farmers' conventions, more industrial meetings, more educational gatherings, more businessmen's associations and fewer political conventions." The Commercial-Appeal is equally emphatic in its judgment. "Call a mass meeting," it says, "to discuss ways and means of filling a village office, and every able bodied male citizen in the community will answer the roll. Call a mass meeting in the same village to discuss an improved method of agriculture or ways and means of securing a manufacturing plant, and the meeting could be held in a sentry box. We forget that this is a material age, an era of copper, iron, electricity, coal and gas, and that in material development are to be found the triumphs of the century." The rapid growth of cotton manufacture in the Carolinas and in Georgia is highly commended by the Memphis editor, who urges that a similar industrial awakening should be attempted in Mississippi, Arkansas and Tennessee.

Signs such as these of a growing conviction in the South that office seeking and office holding are not the first and most engrossing aim of life are to be sincerely welcomed. Concentration of Southern effort in the single field of politics has led to a vicious exploitation of political to the detriment of social, commercial and material interests. Sacrificing all other considerations to those of solidarity and power in national politics, the people of the South have failed conspicuously to keep step with the industrial advances recorded in so many other sections of the union. Blinded by habit, they have yielded to the leadership of "cheap demagogues," as the Commercial-Appeal calls them, "until these demagogues have come to the conclusion that they are in fact statesmen and saviors of their country, when they are worse than the plagues of Egypt and a nuisance to the community which they infect." The public opinion which sustains this leadership may be hard to move, but it cannot long withstand such shocks as are given it in the candid and forceful declarations of these two influential Southern newspapers.

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